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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN 1974 FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

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1. UPON RECEIPT OF YOUR TELEGRAM CAO DISCUSSED PROGRAM WITH DR. KAPILA VATSYAYAN, DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, AND WITH MRS. H. K. KOCHAR, INDIAN COUNCIL FOR CULTURAL RELATIONS.

2. GOI DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE UNABLE TO PROVIDE AUTHENTIC FOLK TROUPE FOR SUMMER OF 1974 DUE TO IMPOSSIBILITY OF IDENTIFYING AND ORIENTING PARTICIPANTS IN TIME REMAINING. DO NOT REPEAT NOT PLAN FOR 1974 PARTICIPATION.

3. HOWEVER, THEY ANXIOUS TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN FOLK LIFE FESTIVAL IN EITHER 1975 OR 1976. PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN WHICH SUMMER INDIAN PARTICIPATION DESIRED. THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE REQUIRES AT LEAST 12 MONTHS LEAD TIME TO ASSEMBLE A PROPER TROUPE.

4. BOTH OFFICIALS REPEATED MANY TIMES THAT ENTHUSIASM FOR PROJECT IS GREAT AND THAT ONLY LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS PREVENT 1974 PARTICIPATION. MADE ADDITIONAL POINT THAT THEY WERE FINANCIALLY CONSTRAINED TO ONE YEAR'S PARTICIPATION. BOTH THESE LIMITATIONS APPEAR REASONABLE TO US.

5. FOR RINZLER FROM AMBASSADOR.

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I'M ALL FOR THIS, AND CONFIDENT IT WILL WORK OUT IN

TIME. CAO IS FOLLOWING CLOSELY. IF THERE IS ANYTHING
ELSE WE CAN DO, CABLE -- OR PHONE. MOYNIHAN

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